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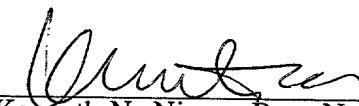
ABSTRACT

The invention concerns a method for diffusing data contained in a computer database (2) in a form that can be easily transported and handled by a user (5). The method comprises steps which consist in: breaking down the data contained in the base 5 (1) into units comprising each a predetermined number of signs; transmitting said units, in particular via a server (2) and a communication network (6), to a computer equipment (3) connected to a printer (3b); downloading into said equipment (3), in particular via said network (6), printing software means (2a) for printing with said printer (3b) a memo (7) in the form of a booklet of four pages. Thus the user (5) can 10 access online said units, select those containing data of interest to him and command the printing thereof in the form of a booklet of four pages which can be easily carried.

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The application has been amended to include an abstract. No new matter has been added.

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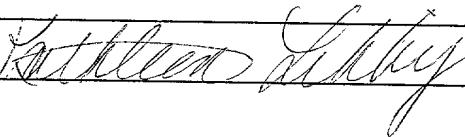
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PROCESS AND SYSTEM FOR DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION ORIGINATING FROM
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[0001] This invention relates to a process for the distribution of information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form that the user can handle and throw away.

[0002] In general, database users view databases from computer equipment. This computer equipment is provided with a display screen on which users can read the data that they need.

[0003] However, database users would very frequently like to keep essential information in an easily transportable form.

[0004] There are printers than can be associated with computer equipment to obtain printouts of all or some of data displayed on display screens. These large paper printouts (A4 size) are not convenient to transport in clothes pockets. Obviously, it would be possible to fold them but in this case the information would no longer be quickly and easily accessible. The paper would have to be unfolded.

[0005] The proposed solution solves this problem. The invention relates to a process for distributing information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form that a user can handle.

[0006] The process according to the invention comprises several steps.

[0007] It comprises a step in which information contained in the database is broken down into units each comprising a predetermined number of symbols.

[0008] It also comprises a step in which units are sent to computer equipment connected to a printer, particularly through a server and a computer communication network and/or through a medium on which the information is saved, for example such as a compact disk. The user activates the computer equipment and the printer using control devices such as a keyboard and/or a mouse to activate optional menus.

[0009] Thus, the user can access units on line, select the units that contain the information in which he is interested, and control printing of these units on a printable medium using a printer, particularly one or several sheets of paper.

[0010] The process also comprises a step in which software printing means capable of printing a memo in the form of a four-page booklet can be loaded (particularly from a compact disk) or downloaded (particularly through the computer communication network).

[0011] Preferably, according to the invention, the software printing means implement a printing process comprising a step in which each unit is printed on the front of a sheet. The symbols contained in each unit are broken down into four frame numbers from 1 to 4 in the order of the pages of the booklet. The four frames are laid out on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 to 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet, and frames 2 and 4 are on the other diagonal. Frame numbers 2 and 3 are rotated by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4.

[0012] Thus, after folding, the user has a four-page booklet.

[0013] According to a first variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the landscape format starting from a rectangular sheet, and particularly an A4 sheet, by folding the printed sheet along a first fold line approximately along the mid-point and parallel to its longest side.

[0014] According to a second variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the portrait format starting from a rectangular sheet, and particularly an A4 sheet, by folding the printed sheet along a first fold line approximately along the mid-point and parallel to its shortest side.

[0015] Regardless of which variant embodiment is used, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside pages 2 and 3 after folding.

[0016] Preferably, according to the invention, the software printing means make use of a printing process also comprising a step in which advertising messages are printed in

locations set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged vertically and/or in the margins of the frames and/or in frame No. 4.

[0017] The invention also relates to a system for distributing information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable form that a user who has this type of computer equipment can handle and throw away.

[0018] The system according to the invention is characterised in that the information is broken down into units each with a predetermined number of symbols.

[0019] The system is also characterised in that it comprises a server connected to the database and to the computer equipment through an Internet type computer communication network.

[0020] Thus, the user can access units on line and select the units that contain the information in which he is interested.

[0021] The system according to the invention also comprises a printer connected to the computer equipment. The user activates the computer equipment and the printer using control devices such as a keyboard and/or a mouse to activate optional menus.

[0022] Thus, the user can control printing of units on a printable medium using a printer, and particularly one or several sheets of paper.

[0023] Finally, the system according to the invention comprises software printout means that can be loaded (particularly from a compact disk) or downloaded (particularly through the computer communication network) into the computer equipment. The software printing means are capable of printing a memo in the form of a four-page booklet using the printer.

[0024] Preferably, according to the invention, the software printing means comprise means of printing each unit on the front of the sheet of paper. The symbols contained in each unit are broken down into four frame numbers from 1 to 4 in the order of the pages of the booklet. The four frames are placed on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and

3 are located on one of the diagonals and frames 2 and 4 are located on the other diagonal of the rectangular sheet. Frame numbers 2 and 3 are rotated by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4.

[0025] Thus, after folding, the user has a four-page booklet.

[0026] According to a first variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the landscape format starting from a rectangular sheet and particularly an A4 sheet, in which the printed sheet comprises a first fold line approximately at the mid-point of the sheet and parallel to its longest side.

[0027] According to a second variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the portrait format starting from a rectangular sheet and particularly an A4 sheet, in which the printed sheet comprises a first fold line approximately at the mid-point of the sheet and parallel to its shortest side.

[0028] Thus, regardless of which variant embodiment is used, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside pages 2 and 3.

[0029] Preferably, the software printing means comprise means of printing advertising messages in locations set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged vertically and/or in the margins of the frames and/or in frame number 4.

[0030] The invention also relates to a computer terminal connected to an Internet type computer communication network suitable to distribute information contained in a computer database in an easily transportable forms that a user who has this type of computer equipment can handle.

[0031] Information is broken down into units each comprising a predetermined number of symbols.

[0032] The information reaches the computer terminal from the database, through a server and through the computer communication network and/or through a medium on which the information is saved, for example such as a compact disk.

[0033] Thus, the user can access units on line and select the units containing the information in which he is interested.

[0034] The computer terminal is characterised in that it also comprises computer equipment, and also a printer connected to the computer equipment.

[0035] The user can activate the computer equipment and the printer using control devices such as a keyboard and/or a mouse to activate the optional menus.

[0036] Thus, the user can control printing of these units on a printable medium using a printer, particularly one or several sheets of paper.

[0037] The computer equipment also comprises software printing means that can be loaded (particularly from a compact disk) or downloaded (particularly through the computer communication network) into the computer equipment.

[0038] The software printing means are capable of printing a memo in the form of a four-page booklet, on a printer.

[0039] Preferably, the software means comprise means of printing each unit on the front of a sheet of paper. The symbols contained in each unit are broken down into four frame numbers from 1 to 4, in the order of the pages of the booklet. The four frames are placed on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet and frames 2 and 4 are located on the other diagonal. Frame numbers 2 and 3 are rotated by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4.

[0040] Thus, after folding, the user has a four-page booklet.

[0041] According to a first variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the landscape format starting from a rectangular sheet and particularly an A4 sheet, in which the printed sheet comprises a first fold line approximately at the mid-point of the sheet and parallel to its longest side.

[0042] According to a second variant embodiment of the invention, a memo can be printed in the portrait format starting from a rectangular sheet and particularly an A4 sheet, in which the printed sheet comprises a first fold line approximately at the mid-point of the sheet and parallel to its shortest side.

[0043] Thus, regardless of which variant embodiment is used, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside pages 2 and 3.

[0044] Preferably, the software printing means comprise means of printing advertising messages in locations set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged vertically and/or in the margins of the frames and/or in frame number 4.

[0045] Other characteristics and advantages of the invention will become clear after reading the description of variant embodiments of the invention given for information only, and in no way limitative, and:

[0046] Figure 1 that shows a diagrammatic view of a general layout of a variant embodiment of the system according to the invention,

[0047] Figure 2a that shows a view of a sheet on which the elementary data is printed, before folding,

[0048] Figure 2b that shows a view of another variant embodiment of a sheet on which the elementary data is printed, before folding,

[0049] Figure 3a that shows a view of a four-page booklet in the portrait format, produced by folding the sheet shown in figure 2a,

[0050] Figure 3b that shows a view of a four-page booklet in the landscape format, produced by folding the sheet shown in figure 2b,

[0051] Figure 1 that shows a diagrammatic view of the general layout of a variant embodiment of the system according to the invention.

[0052] The system comprises a computer server 2 associated with a database 1 containing information. This information is broken down into units each comprising a predetermined number of symbols. Thus, the manner in which this information is broken down is a means of defining the page layout of the units precisely to facilitate printing on a printable medium, and particularly on one or several sheets of paper or a plastified medium.

[0053] The system also comprises computer equipment 3. This computer equipment 3 comprises a microcomputer 3a comprising display means 3e, a keyboard 3g, a mouse 3d and listening means 3f. A printer 3b and means of reading a compact disk 3c are associated with the microcomputer 3a. The computer equipment 3 may also be in the form of a multimedia games console, particularly a Sega Dreamcast or Playstation 2 type console connected to a keyboard and a television screen.

[0054] The computer server 2 and the computer equipment 3 are interconnected through a computer communication network 6, particularly internet type equipment. The units contained in the database 1 are transmitted to the computer equipment 3 through the server 2 and the communication network 6. Thus, a user 5 can access units contained in the database 1 on line quickly and in an automated manner and can select the units containing the information in which he is interested.

[0055] Units can also be sent to the computer equipment 3 through a compact disk 4 that will be read using the drive 3c and can be viewed on the display screen 3e.

[0056] Printing a memo is a means of enabling the user to keep information about a unit with him on a printable medium, particularly one or several sheets of paper. The system achieves this in that it also includes means 2a of downloading through the server 2 and the computer network 6 to load software printing means into the said computer equipment 3. These software printing means may also be loaded into the computer equipment 3 using a compact disk 4 that will be read using the drive 3c.

[0057] We will now describe how these software printing means cooperate with the printer 3b associated with the computer equipment 3, to print a memo on a printable medium, and particularly a paper memo 7.

[0058] The software printing means contain the instructions necessary to divide the symbols contained in the unit to be printed, into four write frames (possibly the same size). These frames are referenced 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the logical order in which they are to be read. They are intended to be printed only on the front of the printable medium, and particularly the front of a sheet of paper 20a, 20b.

[0059] Figures 2a and 3a show the paper sheet 20b before and after folding, for a memo 7a in the portrait format.

[0060] Similarly, figures 2a and 2b show the sheet of paper 20b before and after folding, for a memo 7b in the landscape format.

[0061] In the case of a memo 7a in the portrait format, the software means contain instructions for printing frames 1 to 4 as shown in figure 2a. Frames 2 and 4 are located on the same diagonal. Frames 1 and 3 are located on the other diagonal. Frames 1 and 4 are printed on the top part of the sheet 20a. Frames 2 and 3 are printed on the bottom part of the sheet 20a. The arrows F show the direction of the logical reading order in which each frame 1 to 4 must be printed. The arrows F are parallel to the longest side of the sheet 20a. On sheet 20a, the direction in which frames 1 and 4 are to be read is opposite to the direction in which frames 2 and 3 are to be read. Frames 1 and 4 are printed on one side of the median line 22a parallel to the shortest side of the sheet 20a, and frames 2 and 3 are printed on the other side. Frames 1 and 2 are printed on one side of the median line 22a parallel to the longest side of the sheet 21a, and frames 4 and 3 are printed on the other side. References 1 to 4 marked on sheet 20a show the location of the frames. A memo in the portrait format 7a (figure 3a) is obtained by folding sheet 20a, firstly along fold line 22a and secondly along fold line 21a. Thus, a memo with four pages in the portrait format 7a is obtained after folding.

[0062] In the case of a memo 7b in the landscape format, the software means contain instructions for printing frames 1 to 4 as shown in figure 2b. Frames 2 and 4 are located on the same diagonal. Frames 1 and 3 are located on the other diagonal. Frames 1 and 2 are printed on the top part of the sheet 20b. Frames 4 and 3 are printed on the bottom part of the sheet 20b. The arrows F show the direction of the logical reading order in which each frame 1 to 4 must be printed. The arrows F are parallel to the shortest side of the sheet 20b. On

sheet 20b, the direction in which frames 1 and 4 are to be read is opposite to the direction in which frames 2 and 3 are to be read. Frames 1 and 2 are printed on one side of the median line 22a parallel to the shortest side of the sheet 20b, and frames 4 and 3 are printed on the other side. Frames 1 and 4 are printed on one side of the median line 22a parallel to the longest side of the sheet 21a, and frames 2 and 3 are printed on the other side. References 1 to 4 marked on sheet 20b show the location of the frames. A memo in the landscape format 7b (figure 3b) is obtained by folding sheet 20b, firstly along fold line 22b and secondly along fold line 22b. Thus, a memo with four pages in the landscape format 7b is obtained after folding.

[0063] In the case of a memo 7a in the portrait format, and also for a memo 7b in the "landscape" format, the fold lines are preferably indicated by marks and particularly dashed lines to facilitate folding. Also preferably, the sheets of the booklet after folding can be fixed together by depositing an adhesive substance at appropriate locations of the back of the sheet. Also to facilitate handling of the booklet, the sheet is folded along the first fold line, folding the lower part over the upper part. The result is a booklet in which the lower edges are fixed together. In this case, frames 1, 2, 3 and 4 should obviously be arranged such that they are read in the logical order of reading after folding.

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CLAIMS

1 1. Process for distributing information contained in a computer database (1) in an
2 easily transportable form that the user (5) can handle, and then throw away;

3 the said process being characterised in that it comprises the following steps:

4 - the step in which information contained in the database (1) is broken down
5 into units each comprising a predetermined number of symbols,

6 - the step of transmitting the said units, particularly through a server (2) and a
7 computer communication network (6) and/or through a medium on which the information is
8 saved, for example such as a compact disk (4), to computer equipment (3) connected to a
9 printer (3b); the user (5) activates the said computer equipment (3) and the said printer (3b)
10 by using control devices such as a keyboard (3g) and/or a mouse (3b) to activate optional
11 menus;

12 such that the user can access the said units on line, can select those containing the
13 information in which he is interested, control printing of these units on a printable medium
14 using a printer, particularly on one or several sheets of paper,

15 the said process also comprising a step to load (particularly using a compact disk (4)),
16 or download (particularly through the computer communication network (6)) software
17 printing means (2a) capable of controlling a printer (3b) to print a memo (7) in the form of a
18 four-page booklet.

1 2. Process according to claim 1, such that the said software printing means (2a)
2 use a printing process including the step in which each unit is printed on the front of a sheet

3 by breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frame numbers from 1
4 to 4 following the order of the pages of the booklet,

5 by laying out the four frames on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and
6 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet, and frames 2 and 4 are located
7 on the other diagonal,

8 by rotating frame numbers 2 and 3 by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4,

9 such that the user will have a four-page booklet after folding.

1 3. Process according to claim 2, so as to make a rectangular sheet, particularly an
2 A4 sheet,

3 a memo (7b) in landscape format, the printed sheet is folded along a first fold line
4 (21b) approximately parallel in the median line parallel to the longest side of the sheet,

5 a memo (7a) in portrait format, the printed sheet is folded along a first fold line (22a)
6 approximately parallel in the median line parallel to the shortest side of the sheet,

7 such that after folding, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside
8 pages 2 and 3.

1 4. Process according to any one of claims 1 to 3, such that the said software
2 printing means (2a) make use of a printing process also comprising a step in which
3 advertising messages are printed in locations set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged
4 vertically and/or in the margins of frames and/or in frame number 4.

1 5. System for distributing information contained in a computer database (1) in an
2 easily transportable form that a user who has this type of computer equipment (3) can handle
3 and throw away;

4 the said system being characterised in that:

5 - the said information is broken down into units each with a predetermined
6 number of symbols;

7 the said system also being characterised in that it comprises:

8 - a server (2) connected through an Internet type computer network (6) to the
9 said database and the said computer equipment (3),

10 such that the user can access the said units on line and select those containing the
11 information in which he is interested,

12 - a printer (3b) connected to the said computer equipment (3);

13 the user (5) activating the said computer equipment (3) and the said printer (3b) by
14 using control devices such as a keyboard (3g) and/or a mouse (3b) to activate optional
15 menus,

16 such that the user can control printing of the said units on a printable medium,
17 particularly one or several sheets of paper;

18 the said system also comprising:

19 - software printout means (2a) that can be loaded (particularly using a compact
20 disk (4)) or downloaded (particularly through the said computer communication network (6))
21 into the said computer equipment (3);

22 the said software printing means (2a) being capable of printing a memo (7) in the
23 form of a four-page booklet, using the said printer (3b).

1 6. System according to claim 5, such that the said software printing means (2a)
2 comprises means of printing each unit on the front of a sheet

3 by breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frame numbers from 1
4 to 4 in the order of the pages of the booklet,

5 by laying out the four frames on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and
6 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet, and frames 2 and 4 are located
7 on the other diagonal,

8 by rotating frame numbers 2 and 3 by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4.

9 (such that the user has a four-page booklet after folding).

1 7. System according to claim 6, in which, starting from a rectangular sheet
2 particularly an A4 size sheet,

3 a memo (7b) in the landscape format is made, the said printed sheet comprises a first
4 fold line (21b) along the median line parallel to the longest side of the rectangular sheet,

5 a memo (7a) in the portrait format is made, the said printed sheet comprises a first
6 fold line (22a) along the median line parallel to the shortest side of the rectangular sheet,

7 such that after folding, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside
8 pages 2 and 3.

1 8. System according to any one of the previous claims 5 and 7, such that the said
2 software printing means (2a) comprise means of printing advertising messages in the
3 locations set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged vertically and/or in the margins of
4 the frames, and/or in frame number 4.

1 9. Computer terminal connected to an Internet type communication network (6)
2 suitable to distribute information contained in a computer database (1) in a form that a user
3 (5) with such a computer terminal can easily transport and handle;

4 the said information being separated into units each containing a predetermined
5 number of symbols;

6 the said information arriving at the said computer terminal from the said database (1)
7 through a server (2) and the said computer communication network (6) and/or through an
8 information medium, for example such as a compact disk (4)

9 such that the user can access the said units on line and select the units that contain the
10 information in which he is interested,

11 the said computer terminal being characterised in that it comprises:

- 12 - a computer (3),
13 - a printer (3b) connected to the said computer equipment (3);

14 the said computer equipment (3) and the said printer (3b) being activated by the user
15 (5) using control devices such as a keyboard (3g) and/or a mouse (3b) to activate the optional
16 menus,

17 such that the user can control printing of the said units on a printable medium, and
18 particularly one or several sheets of paper;

19 the said computer equipment (3) also including software printing means (2a) that can
20 be loaded (particularly from a compact disk (4)) or downloaded (particularly through the said
21 computer communication network (6)) into the said computer; the said software printing
22 means (2a) being capable of controlling the said printer (3b) to print a memo (7) in the form
23 of a four-page booklet.

1 10. Computer terminal according to claim 9, such that the said software printing
2 means (2a) comprise means of printing each unit on the front of a sheet

3 by breaking down the symbols contained in each unit into four frame numbers from 1
4 to 4 in the same order as the number of the pages in the booklet,

5 by arranging the four frames on the front of the sheet of paper such that frames 1 and
6 3 are located on one of the diagonals of the rectangular sheet, and frames 2 and 4 are located
7 on the other diagonal,

8 by rotating frame numbers 2 and 3 by 180° from frame numbers 1 and 4

9 such that when folding is complete, the user has a four-page booklet.

1 11. Computer terminal according to claim 10, to make the following from a
2 rectangular sheet, particularly an A4 sheet,

3 a memo (7b) in the landscape format, the said printed sheet comprises a first fold line
4 (21b) along the median line parallel to the longest side of the rectangular sheet,

5 a memo (7a) in the portrait format, the said printed sheet comprises a first fold line
6 (22a) along the median line parallel to the shortest side of the rectangular sheet,

7 such that after folding, the first fold fixes the outside pages 1 and 4 with the inside
8 pages 2 and 3.

1 12. Computer terminal according to any one of claims 9 to 11 such that the said
2 software printing means (2a) comprise means of printing advertising messages in locations
3 set aside for this purpose, particularly arranged vertically and/or in the margins of the frames
4 and/or in frame number 4.

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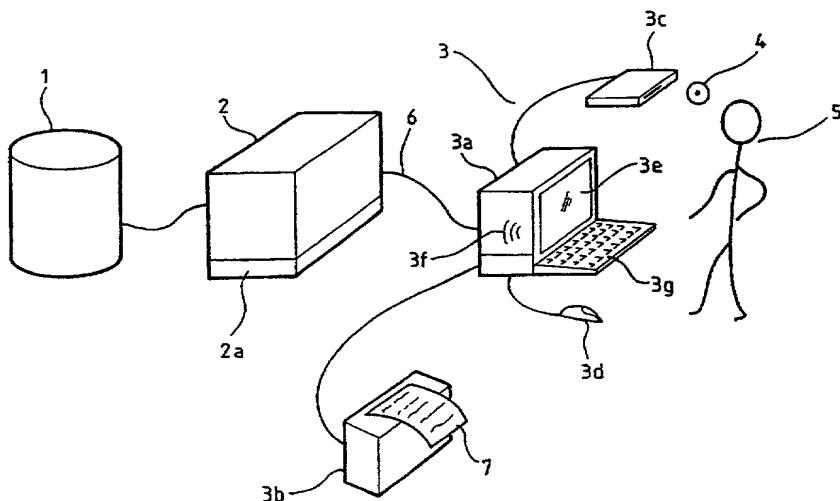
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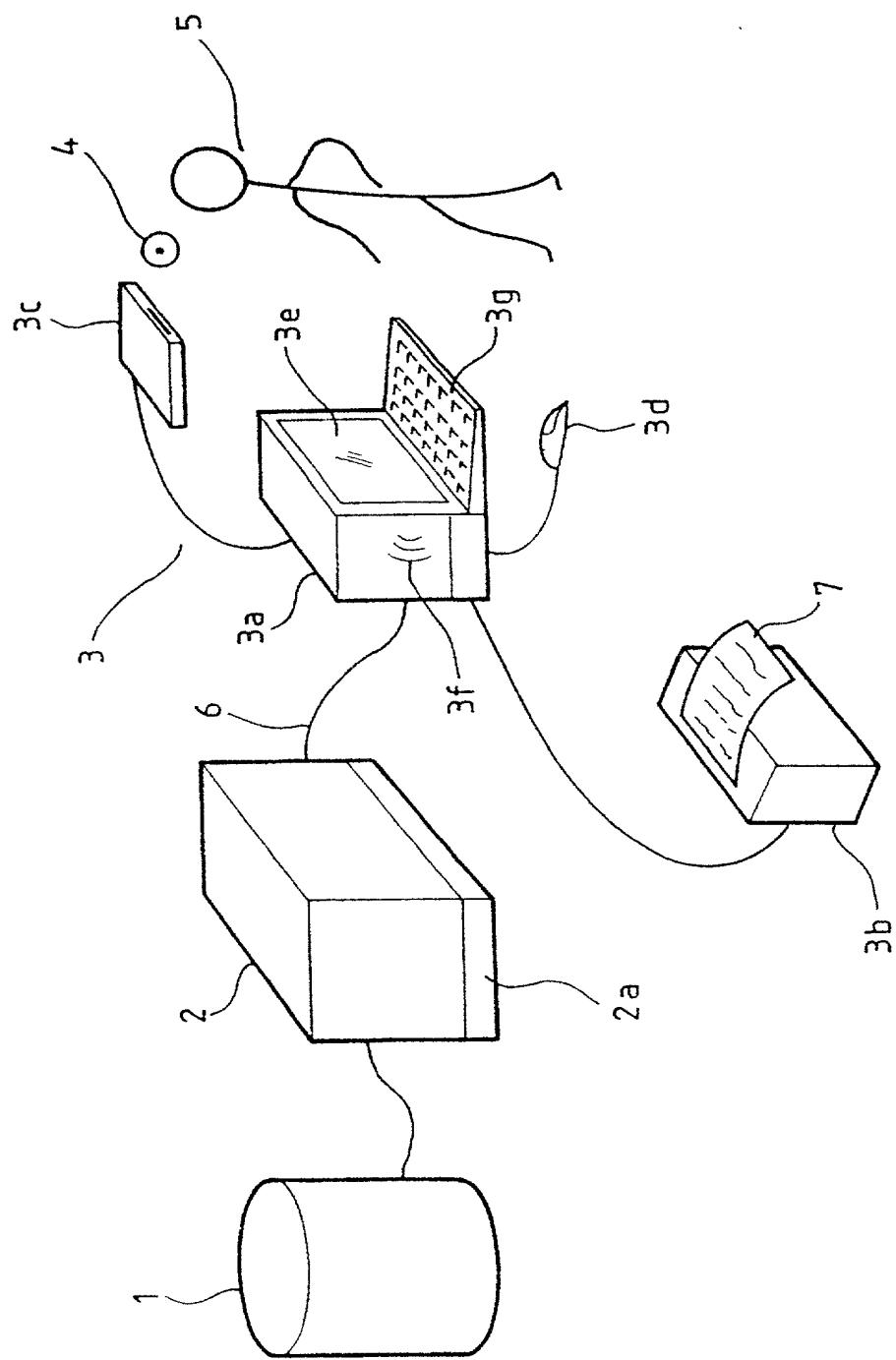


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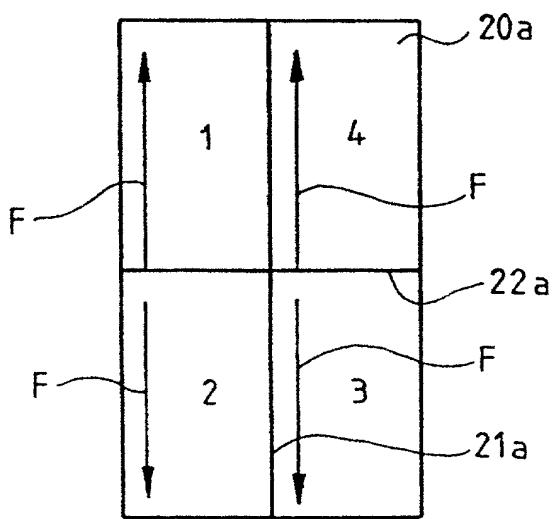
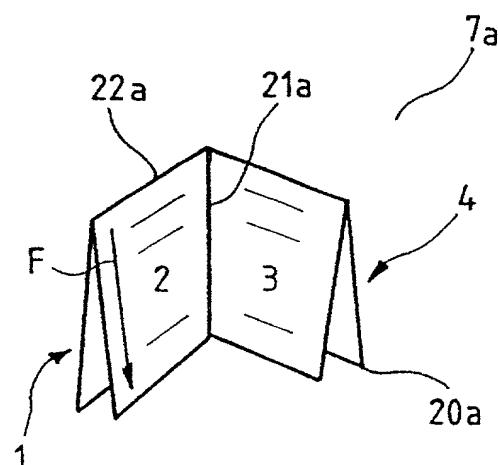
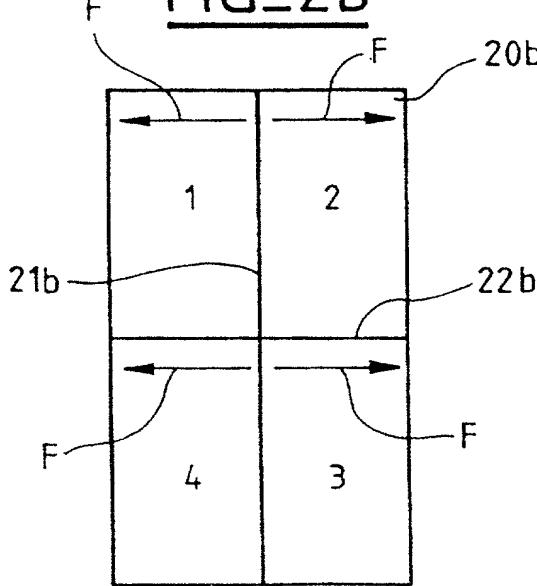
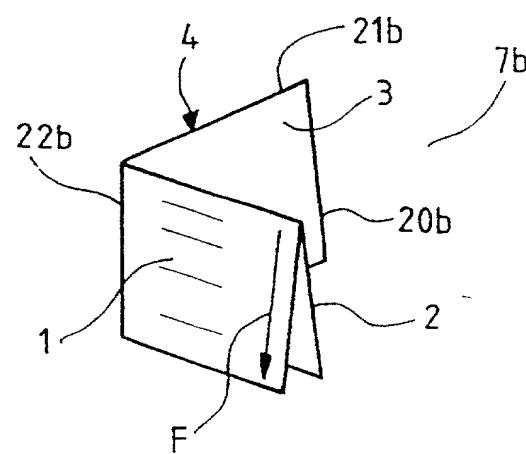
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